REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended, which now comprises claims 1-2, 6-15 and 19-26 is respectfully requested.

Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's indication that claims 5 and 18 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. Applicants have amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claims 3, 4 and 5. Applicants have also amended claims 6 and 7 to now depend from amended claim 1. Applicants have further amended claim 14 to include the limitations of claims 16, 17 and 18. In addition, Applicants have amended claims 19 and 20 to now depend from amended claim 14. Finally, Applicants have cancelled claims 3-5 and 16-18 without prejudice.

Based on the above, Applicants submit that all of the claims are allowable in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject in the outstanding Office Action.

Accordingly, withdrawal of Examiner's rejections and allowance of all the pending claims is respectfully requested.

AUTHORIZATION

The Commission is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this response, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0665, Order No. 020305-004003.

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